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ORDERS

OF THE

BOARD OF HEALTH OF BOSTON,

RELATIVE TO

THE POLICE OF SAID TOWN.

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HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

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# *Internal Health Regulations.*

## IN BOARD OF HEALTH,

*Boston, April 26, A. D. 1819.*

ORDERED, That the following RULES and REGULATIONS appear to this Board to be necessary, to remove and prevent NUISANCES and Sources of Filth in the Town of BOSTON, and the same Rules and Regulations are hereby ordered by said Board of Health to have effect, within the limits of said Town of Boston, and have the force of law, from and after Monday, the twenty-sixth of April, A. D. 1819.

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### *House Dirt, &c.*

ARTICLE 1. No person or persons shall be allowed to throw or bring into any street, square, lane or alley, any house dirt, filth, or sweepings of any kind, or any decayed vegetables or dead animal substance. But all such house dirt, filth, sweepings, or vegetable or animal substance, shall be deposited in such vessels as will not contain liquids, and kept in some convenient situation for the drivers or the Scavengers' carts to take away. And no person shall be allowed to cast any dead animals, vegetable substances, or sweepings of any vessel, into any of the docks, the mill-pond, or any other place between the channel and the shore; nor to land the same, or any foul and infected ballast, or other substance, on any wharf, or landing place, within the town. And any dead animal thrown into the channel shall have a sufficient weight affixed to it, to prevent its floating to the shore.

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### *Removal of Dirt, &c.*

ART. 2. When any quantity of dirt, saw-dust, foot, shavings, straw, hair, animal or vegetable substance, or filth of any kind, shall be found in any cellar, yard, or other premises, or be thrown into any street, square, lane or alley; the owner or occupier of such cellar, yard or other premises, where found; or the owner or occupier of the premises from whence such dirt, saw-dust, &c. had been removed, shall cause the same



to be carried away, at his, or her expense, within four hours after notification, in writing, from this Board.—And all carts or waggons employed in the carting earth, clay, sand or dirt of any kind, shall have and use good and sufficient fore and hind boards, and otherways sufficiently tight to prevent the said earth, sand, clay, or dirt, from dropping in the streets through which they may pass.

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*Waste Water.*

ART. 3. The owners or occupiers of houses, buildings or lands, shall cause all *Waste Water* from their premises to be conveyed from their cellars, yards, sinks, pumps and vacant lands, through drains under ground to common sewers; or to such reservoirs sunk under ground to receive the same, as a committee of this Board shall approbate,

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*Vaults, Privies, &c.*

ART. 4. The owners of vaults or privies, and the occupiers of the house or houses, store or buildings, to which they belong or are attached, shall not permit the contents of such vaults or privies to rise within two feet of the surface of the earth—and every owner, occupier or person who improves any vault or privy, in the town Boston, shall constantly keep the same vault or privy boxed or made tight, so that the contents thereof shall not escape from such vault or privy into the cellar or on to the land of any other person, or into or on any street, lane or alley in the town of Boston, or on any land belonging to said town of Boston, or any corporation; and no vault or privy shall be emptied without a permit from this Board, and by persons authorized by this Board for that purpose, from and after the first of April, and until the first of November next; at which time, the Inhabitants may employ, from the first of November, to the first of April next succeeding, any person they shall see fit, to empty their necessary vaults between the hours of 10 o'clock in the evening, and the sun's rising, on such terms, and by such persons as they may elect, the owners of such vaults being accountable to the Board in removing any nuisance that shall happen in so doing.

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*Stables, and Stable Manure.*

ART. 5. The owners or occupiers of livery and other stables shall not permit more than two cart loads of manure to accumulate and remain in or near their stables, at any one time, between the first day of May and the first day of November, and shall keep their stables and stable yards clean and decent.



### Market Stalls.

ART. 6. Persons occupying stalls in Faneuil Hall, Boylston or Parkman's Market-houses, or the Market-place, and Dock-square, shall daily, in the morning, during the months of June, July, August, September and October, wash or cleanse their respective stalls.—They shall not permit any heads, feet or offals of dead animals, or vegetables of any kind to remain in or about their stalls over night. They shall take up and remove the platforms of their respective stalls, on the first day of June, and shall not replace them until the first day of November ensuing; during which period, meats of any kind shall not be exposed in the markets, or any other place within the town, excepting in the stalls, carts, or other vehicles, which shall be covered from the rays of the sun; nor expose for sale any mutton or lamb with the feet on the same.

### Damaged Grain, Rice and Coffee.

ART. 7. No person shall be allowed to land on any wharf, or put on shore, from any boat or vessel, or bring into town by land, any damaged grain, rice, or coffee, without a permit from this Board.

### Swine and Goats.

ART. 8. Swine and Goats shall not be kept within the limits of this town by any person, without a license from this Board, and in such place and manner as the Board shall approve.

### Fresh Fish.

ART. 9. *All Fish*, before brought into this town, shall first be gutted, and the fish made clean. *Fresh Fish*, (excepting such as are named in the succeeding article) shall not be offered for sale between the 1st day of June, and the 1st day of October, unless kept in covered stalls, fish-boxes, or other houses situated over the salt water.—And Fresh Fish offered for sale in the streets before the first day of June, and after the first day of October, shall be kept clean in covered carts, barrows, &c.

### Salmon and Small Fish.

ART. 10. Salmon, Shad, Bass, Mackarel, Tautog, Eels, Flounders, Tomcods, Smelts, and other small Fish, may be sold at all times, in any part of the town, provided they be kept secure from the rays of the sun; but venders thereof will be held responsible for any nuisance created thereby. Provided, however, that Salmon and Bass, brought to town by sea, may be sold, and landed therein, when cleansed of their entrails; which entrails are to be kept on board in tight vessels, and removed beyond low water mark, at every time of high water—

And that no person take a stand in or near the Faneuil-Hall Market for the sale of such Fish as are allowed by this article, but at the north side of said Market-House, at the place provided by the Clerk of said market for that purpose.

And whereas sick persons are much distressed by the practice of blowing horns, trumpets, and other wind instruments, by fishermen and others, to call the attention of the people to their occupations and business, and the same is injurious to the health of the inhabitants; therefore, *Ordered*, That horns, trumpets, or other wind instruments, shall not be blown or sounded by any Fisherman or other person, to the injury or disturbance of any sick person.

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*Oysters.*

ART. 11. Oysters shall not be offered for sale within the limits of the town, between the 5th day of July and the 1st day of September.

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*Feathers, Rags, &c.*

ART. 12. Feathers, old or new, shall not be landed, or brought within the limits of the town, between the 1st day of May, and the 1st day of November, without a permit from this Office after a previous examination by the person authorized by this Board. And feather and other beds, bedding, clothing, or rags, shall not be landed, or brought into this town from any place where any contagious disease doth, or hath recently prevailed, unless by special permission of this Board. Nor shall any clothing or other article, which contains or is affected with any disease which may communicate any disorder to any person, be landed or brought within the town of Boston without a special permit from this Board.

These Regulations, in addition to those enumerated by the Act empowering the town of Boston to choose a Board of Health, and other laws relating to said Board, being essential to the preservation of the health of the Town, it is the determination of the Board of Health most rigidly to enforce their execution, and to prosecute all violators. And, as heavy penalties are by law attached to the breach of any or either of them, the said Board request their constituents to cause these Regulations to be made known to all persons under their direction, and read to their domestics; and also to assist the Board in their due execution. Complaints of any breaches thereof, or any neglect or inattention, in any person employed or licensed by the Board, are solicited; and those who complain may rely on all proper secrecy.

BENJAMIN WHITMAN, *President.*

A true copy of Record—JAMES ROBINSON, *Sec'y.*

# *Police of Burying-Grounds.*

IN BOARD OF HEALTH,

*Boston April 26, A. D. 1819.*

ORDERED, That the following RULES and REGULATIONS for the Interment of the Dead in the Town of *BOSTON*, for Funerals and Funeral Processions in said Town, for the Police of Burying-Grounds in said Town, and the following Penalties and Fees respecting the same, be and the same are hereby fixed and established by the *Board of Health of the Town of Boston*, and that the same commence and have effect from and after the first day of June next.

## ARTICLE I.

### *Police of the Burying Grounds and Cemeteries.*

SECT. 1. 'To execute the Police of the Burying Grounds and Cemeteries, there shall be *one* Superintendant elected by ballot, who on acceptance of the trust shall give satisfactory bonds for the faithful performance of the duties required, and whose jurisdiction shall extend to all the Burying Grounds and Cemeteries within the town, and his Office shall be kept in the east corner of Faneuil Hall, Market-House.' It shall be the duty of the Superintendant to keep the fences, walls and gates of the respective Grounds and Cemeteries in complete repair, and properly secured by locks and bolts; to point out the place, depth and width of every grave to be dug therein; to cause the graves to be dug in exact ranges parallel with, and as near to each other as may be; and to see that the graves be so filled and elevated, and the turf replaced, that water may not stagnate thereon:—To cause the tombs opened in the respective Cemeteries, between the 1st of July, and the 30th of September, to be closed and pointed with lime within twenty-four hours after the deposit of bodies therein; and to direct the Wardens of the several Churches to which Cemeteries belong, to cause at least three bushels of good stone lime to be slacked therein on the 1st and 15th days of July, August and September:—To record in a book to be kept for that purpose, the name, age and sex of each person interred; the family to which the deceased belong-



ed; the disease or cause or death; and whether citizen or stranger; the time when interred; the number of the grave, and the number of the range, where buried, or the tomb where deposited.

SECT. 2. The Superintendant shall permit the family of any person hereafter buried in any grave in the North and South Burial Grounds, to place within 12 months after the burial of such person, a stone of the following dimensions, viz.—length  $4\frac{1}{2}$  feet, breadth 1 foot 10 inches, thickness  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches, having the person's name and age, the number of the grave and the number of the range cut thereon, placed perpendicular 6 inches from the head of the grave, and settled in the earth 18 inches from a level surface; which, being recorded by the Superintendant, such grave shall be reserved for the use of the same family for 20 years; and graves may be re-opened for members of the same family, provided the top of any coffin put therein be not within three feet of the surface of the ground. The bottom of the first coffin buried in any grave in the North Burying Ground shall be at least eight feet from the surface of the ground; and the bottom of the first coffin buried in any grave in the South Burying Ground, shall be at least six feet six inches from the surface of the ground.

SECT. 3. A new range of graves shall not be commenced until the preceding range is entirely taken up by the deposit of a body or bodies in each grave.

SECT. 4. A corpse shall not be deposited for a temporary purpose in any of the Public Vaults, without the license of this Board.

SECT. 5. When a corpse shall be deposited in any of the Public Vaults, the same shall be afterwards removed and interred, agreeably to the regulations of the Board, and in the manner and time expressed in a license of the Board for said deposit. And for a faithful execution of the same, every person concerned in said deposit, removal and interment, shall severally be responsible.

SECT. 6. When a corpse is deposited in a Public Vault, in addition to the Superintendant's fees, there shall be paid to the use of the Town *one dollar* for each adult, and *fifty cents* for each child, to be collected by the Superintendant.

SECT. 7. The Superintendant shall, on the Monday of each week, make a return to the Health-Office of the persons interred in the Grounds and Cemeteries in his care; which return shall comprise a copy of all the particulars required to be record-

ed by the first section of these Regulations; that from such returns this Board, from time to time, may publish Bills of Mortality for the town.

SECT. 8. That if any person should be desirous to remove out of town the body of a deceased friend for interment, it may be lawful so to do, on application to the Superintendant of Burial Grounds, he to attend the time and place of removal; provided no cause should appear, to withhold the permission:—The applicant subject to pay the Superintendant *twenty-five cents* for his attendance.

ARTICLE II.

*Funeral Cars.*

SECT. 1. The Funeral Cars shall be under the care of the Superintendant, and shall be deposited for safe keeping in places provided therefor. It shall be the duty of the Superintendant, to keep them clean and in good repair, he having the approbation of the Burying Ground Committee; and only permit Funeral Undertakers, licensed by this Board, to use the same, on the payment of the fee established by these Regulations. The Superintendant to account monthly to the Treasurer of this Board for such fees.

ARTICLE III.

*Funeral Undertakers.*

SECT. 1. A sufficient number of Funeral Undertakers shall be appointed and licensed by this Board, who shall be responsible for the decent, orderly and faithful management of the Funerals undertaken by them; and for a strict compliance with these Regulations. Each Undertaker may employ sober and discreet Porters to assist him; and shall be accountable to this Board for their conduct.—Persons not licensed as Undertakers, are forbid the undertaking of any funeral, under penalty of twenty dollars for each offence.

ARTICLE IV.

*Funerals, &c.*

Sect. 1. All Funerals shall be between sun-rising and sun-setting, except when otherwise ordered by this Board, in cases of the prevalence of contagious and malignant diseases, and shall pass through or into at least one principal street. There shall be but one bell tolled at any funeral; which bell shall be tolled

no longer than one hour, and no oftener than two strokes in a minute; and the bells of the North Church shall not be chimed more than fifteen minutes for one funeral procession. The corpse of every person over ten years of age, shall be conveyed to the grave or tomb in a Funeral Car, to be drawn by not more than two horses: Provided however That on an extraordinary occasion permission may be obtained of this Board, on regular application, to dispense with any of the rules contained in this article.

SECT. 2. The Superintendant shall designate suitable places in the North and South Burying Grounds, for the burial of people of colour, under the direction of this Board.

#### ARTICLE V.

##### *Fines, &c.*

SECT. 1. If the Superintendant shall violate any or either of these Regulations, he shall, on conviction, forfeit and pay a fine of fifty dollars. If an Undertaker shall violate any or either of these Regulations, he shall, on conviction, forfeit and pay a fine of thirty dollars; and if any other person or persons shall violate or transgress them, he or they shall, on conviction, forfeit and pay a fine of twenty dollars.

SECT. 2. The Superintendant, Funeral Undertakers and Porters shall at all times be removable at the pleasure of this Board.

#### ARTICLE VI.

##### *Fees, &c.*

SECT. 1. There shall be collected and paid for services in the execution of these Regulations, the following fees, viz.

*For the Superintendant.*—For each grave dug, fifty-five cents, except for such persons as are buried at the expense of the town. For each tomb or public vault opened, 75 cents. For the record of each person buried or entombed, twenty-five cents. For the use of the car at each funeral, two dollars; and the same with the fees for graves, tombs and public vaults, to be collected from the families of the persons interred. The recording fees to be paid quarterly by the Board of Health.

*Fees for Undertakers.* For digging a grave 8 feet deep, and covering the same, two dollars and fifty cents; for one 6 feet 6 inches deep, one dollar and fifty cents; for one 5 feet deep, one dollar and twenty-five cents, and for 4 feet deep one dollar. For opening and closing a tomb, seventy-five cents. For ser-



vice at the house of a person deceased, in collecting and returning chairs and other attendance, one dollar; for every family notified by request, five cents; for tolling a bell, fifty cents; for placing a corpse in coffin when requested, and removing down stairs, one dollar; for the use of one horse in the car, and leader, one dollar and fifty cents; for two horses, seventy-five cents each; for carrying a corpse from the house to the car, and from the car to the grave, tomb or vault, and removal of the same from the Public Vault to the place of interment, including the assistance of funeral porters, and the leader or leaders of the Funeral Car, three dollars.

SECT. 2. When a corpse is carried into a church, the Funeral Undertaker may make an additional charge of two dollars; and whenever the ground shall be frozen, the charge of digging graves may be augmented at the discretion of this Board.

SECT. 3. For burial of children under ten years of age, viz., Digging a grave  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet deep, seventy five cents; for service at the house, one dollar; tolling bell, fifty cents; carrying the corpse to the carriage, and from the carriage to the place of deposit, fifty cents; for the use of a pall, twenty-five cents.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the several Undertakers and each of them to settle with, and pay over monthly to the Superintendent, the fees provided for in the first section of this article.

#### ARTICLE VII.

#### *Burying Grounds.*

SECT. 1. The Central, Chapel and Granary Burying Grounds are closed so far, that no graves shall be opened or dug, nor tombs built therein, until the further order of this Board.

SECT. 2. The old part of the North Burying Ground is also closed so far, that no graves shall be opened or dug therein, excepting in the places appropriated for the interment of people of colour, under the direction of this Board. Persons may have leave to erect tombs in the new part of the North Burying Ground, and the South Burying Ground, under the direction, and on the conditions prescribed by this Board.

By order of the Board of Health,

BENJAMIN WHITMAN, *President.*

Attest—JAMES ROBINSON, *Sec'y.*

# Quarantine Regulations for 1819.

## IN BOARD OF HEALTH,

*Boston, April 26, A. D. 1819.*

ORDERED, That the following Rules, Regulations, Restrictions, Qualifications and Directions, shall constitute the Quarantine Regulations of this Board, on all Vessels, &c. which shall arrive within the Harbour of Boston, from any port or place, until the further order of this Board; and that the same be published in the Newspapers employed by this Board, for general information, viz.

### ARTICLE I.

#### *Quarantine of Vessels.*

SECT. 1. On and after the twentieth day of May annually, and until the twentieth day of October, in each year, a quarantine shall be had of all vessels, their officers, crews, passengers and cargoes, that come within the Harbour of Boston, which are from or have touched at any port or place within the tropics, or from any of the West India Islands, or from any of the British provinces in North America, having arrived there from any of the places herein mentioned, or any port or place where contagious sickness doth or hath recently prevailed—of all vessels on board of which any person shall have died of any disease, or been sick during their homeward passage, excepting vessels coming from places beyond the *Cape of Good Hope*, where no contagious or malignant disease was known to be prevalent previous to their departure—or from the Islands of *St. Helena*, or *Ascension*.

SECT. 2. The quarantine above directed, shall be had near *Rainsford Island*, under the direction of the Principal or Assistant Physician, and other officers of this Board, and shall continue on every vessel which has had *twenty-two* or a less number of days passage, until she shall have made up *twenty-five* days from the day she left her last port; and on each vessel which has had *twenty-three* or more days passage, *seventy-two hours*, in addition to such passage. And on every vessel, on board which, during her homeward passage, any person shall

have died, (excepting from accident or casualty) the quarantine shall be extended to twenty-five days from the last death. And no vessel shall be considered as having commenced quarantine, until she shall have anchored in her proper station on quarantine ground, as directed by the Principal or Assistant Physician, or other officers of this Board.

SECT. 3. The masters, officers, crews and passengers of all vessels when on quarantine, shall be subject to the Regulations of this Board, and such others as may be adopted by the Principal or Assistant Physician: and the master of each vessel shall be accountable for the appearance on board his vessel, at the time she shall be discharged from quarantine, of all and every person who arrived in her, or who may have been landed from her in any port of the United States, or put on board any vessel, during her homeward passage, cases of death excepted.

SECT. 4. In extraordinary cases, the Committee of the Week is authorized to direct the above period of quarantine to be prolonged.

SECT. 5. Vessels not otherwise subject to quarantine, having only *Small Pox* on board, may be discharged whenever the Principal or Assistant Physician shall consider them free from infection.

SECT. 6. Every master of a vessel shall, within twenty four hours after being discharged from quarantine, deliver at the Health-Office in Faneuil Hall, the certificates and flags he shall have received from the Principal or Assistant Physician, or Island Keeper, and shall, on paying the sum of ten dollars, receive a counter certificate from the Secretary of this Board, to entitle his vessel to entry at the Custom-House.

SECT. 7. When any vessel has been quarantined, examined and attended, and the master is desirous of leaving the ground, with his vessel, for any other port, he shall, previous to his receiving his certificate of discharge, pay to the Principal or Assistant Physician the established fees.

SECT. 8. During the time a vessel shall be on quarantine, on application made to this Board to permit the unloading and conveyance to town of any wine, rum, spirits, salt, sugar, molasses, mahogany, dye-woods, tobacco, preserved or other fruits, and such other articles as shall be declared incapable of receiving or conveying infection, and when permission to unload the same shall have been obtained from the Custom-House; it shall be lawful for the Committee for the week to authorize the Principal or Assistant Physician of this Board, to permit such articles to be unladen from any vessel on quarantine, and the same to be conveyed to town by Lightermen duly licensed by this Board for that purpose—And the Principal or Assistant



Physician shall grant a certificate thereof, to be deposited in the Health-Office, for which 25 cents shall be paid. And the lighters to be employed in the transportation of such uninfected articles, shall, when unemployed, be anchored off the south-east part of *Rainsford Island*; and the lightermen employed therein, shall not be permitted to land in town, without the permission of the Principal or Assistant Physician.

## ARTICLE II.

*Mediterranean Vessels.*

SECT. 1. Every master of a vessel who, on and after the twentieth day of May annually, and before the twentieth day of October, in the same year, shall arrive from *Gibraltar*, or at any port or place within the Streights, shall carry and anchor his vessel on quarantine ground, where she shall remain until she be examined by the Principal or Assistant Physician, who, in concurrence with the Committee for the week, may permit her to pass if it appears to them that the public health will not be endangered thereby.—And the master of such vessel shall receive a counter certificate from the Secretary of this Board, to entitle his vessel to entry at the Custom House on his paying him the sum of five dollars.

## ARTICLE III.

*Vessels to be Reported.*

SECT. 1. The masters of all vessels, which, on and after the twentieth day of May annually, and before the twentieth day of October, in the same year, shall arrive from any port or place not subject to quarantine, shall, previous to entry at the Custom-House, make report at the Health-Office, in *Faneuil-Hall*, of the state and condition of their crews, passengers and cargoes, and of all other circumstances which may concern the public health. If found to be from a port free of contagious disease, the master of each vessel shall receive a certificate to permit the entry of such vessel at the Custom-House, for which 25 cents shall be paid; if otherwise, the vessel, crew and passengers shall be sent to *Rainsford Island*, on quarantine.

## ARTICLE IV.

*Vessels from Out-Ports.*

SECT. 1. Every vessel which shall arrive, and enter at any out-port from any of the ports or places mentioned in the first article of these Regulations, and shall afterwards come to this port, shall be subject to quarantine, unless the master produces a correct certificate from the Board of Health, or Selectmen, of such out-port, that such vessel has been at least twenty-five days from such ports or places; that during that time no person has died, (excepting by accident or casualty) or been sick on board; and that such vessel has been duly examined, and thoroughly purified or cleansed.

## ARTICLE V.

*Infected Vessels.*

SECT. 1. All vessels from any port or place whatever, having on their homeward passage had one or more persons sick on board, shall, at all seasons of the year, be liable to perform quarantine, if, in the opinion of the Principal or Assistant Physician, it shall be necessary.

## ARTICLE VI.

*The Duty and Power of the Principal Physician, and Assistant Physician.*

SECT. 1. It shall be the duty of the Principal Physician of this Board, (when no Assistant Physician resides on *Rainsford Island*) to visit *Rainsford Island* every day when there are three or more vessels on quarantine; and, when less than three, as often as the Committee for the week shall prescribe. He shall direct in what manner vessels are to be cleansed; what articles shall be landed, washed, buried, or destroyed. He shall order the sick to be landed, if necessary; shall attend all the sick at said Island, prescribe according to his best skill and judgment to their relief, and find all medicine. He shall be allowed to charge each sick person for such attendance, provided his charge does not exceed three dollars for common cases; but he may increase the charge for extraordinary cases, deemed such by the Committee for the week; and he shall report, at least once a week, the number of such sick persons under his care at the Island, the length of time they have been confined there; and, when discharged, shall immediately present his account for attendance to the Committee for the week, a record of which shall be entered on the Journal kept by that Committee. He shall direct the Pilots where to anchor vessels; and they are hereby required to obey his directions. He shall deliver to the master of each vessel arriving on quarantine, a copy of the Quarantine Regulations of this Board. He may establish rules and regulations for the preservation of good order on the Island, to promote the designs of quarantine, such rules and regulations being under the control of this Board. He shall from time to time report to the Committee for the week, the state of vessels on quarantine. He shall grant a certificate of discharge to each vessel having duly performed quarantine; and generally, it shall be his duty to do and perform all things necessary to carry the Regulations of Quarantine into complete effect. And when an Assistant Physician shall reside on said *Rainsford Island*, all the duties and powers of the Principal Physician contained in this article shall devolve upon, and may be executed by such Assistant Physician.

## ARTICLE VII.

*The Secretary's Quarantine Duty.*

SECT. 1. The Secretary of this Board shall receive the Principal or Assistant Physician's certificates of discharge; shall give counter certificates to entitle such vessels to entry at the Custom-House; receive the fees required for such certificate, and all other fees, and the same pay to the Treasurer. He shall make the necessary inquiries of all masters of vessels, reporting at this Office; shall note the same; and shall receive and communicate at every meeting of this Board, the reports received from the Island.

## ARTICLE VIII.

*The Island Keeper's Duty.*

SECT. 1. The Island Keeper or his Assistants shall attend the purification of all vessels, clothing, bedding, persons, &c. at quarantine, agreeably to the directions of the Principal or Assistant Physician; shall board and attend the sick, and find nurses; and shall be allowed five dollars each week for the board and nursing each sick person at the Island; to be collected as the fees of the Principal or Assistant Physician are by law collected or assumed; and shall employ two persons to ply the Island boat, during the time a general quarantine is required, who shall be subject to the orders of the Committee of the Quarantine; and shall communicate to the Health-Office, information of the arrival of vessels at the Island, as they occur; and of any event which may require the attendance of the Principal or Assistant Physician at the Island; shall carry supplies to vessels on quarantine, when delivered on board the boat, and shall be held to conform to all the directions of this Board.

SECT. 2. In the absence of the Principal and Assistant Physician, the Island Keeper or his Assistant are charged with the police of the Island, agreeably to the laws and rules thereof.

## ARTICLE IX.

No person not on quarantine shall be allowed to visit Rainford Island during the time of quarantine, without producing a permit from the Secretary of this Board, for which 25 cents shall be paid for each person; but no certificates shall be valid, unless presented within twenty-four hours from the date thereof.

## ARTICLE X.

SECT. 1. The Board of Health may dispense with any or all the aforesaid Orders, Rules and Regulations relative to Quarantine, upon such conditions and under such circumstances as said Board or its Committee, in any particular case, may think proper, consistent with the publick safety.

By order of the Board,

BENJAMIN WHITMAN, *President.*







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